

HOUSE BILL 815

By Davis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8;
Title 56 and Title 71, relative to health insurance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 7, Part 23, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section, "continuous glucose monitor" means a device that automatically and continuously monitors a user's blood glucose levels through the use of a sensor on the user's body and enables the user to read the blood glucose level.

(b) Every individual or group health insurance policy providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis, every policy or contract issued by a hospital or medical service corporation, every individual or group service contract issued by a health maintenance organization, and every self-insured group arrangement to the extent not preempted by federal law, which is delivered, issued for delivery, entered into, amended, or renewed in this state on or after July 1, 2023, shall provide coverage of a continuous glucose monitor for every person with diabetes who is insulin-dependent and is covered by such policy, whether as a dependent of the policy holder or otherwise.

(c) The insurer may require the policyholder to provide a prescription by a licensed physician or show proof through other suitable documentation of the need for a continuous glucose monitor.

(d) This section does not preclude the insurer from conducting managed care, medical necessity, or utilization review, or prevent the operation of such policy provisions as deductibles, coinsurance, allowable charge limitations, coordination of benefits, or

provisions restricting coverage to services by licensed, certified, or carrier-approved providers or facilities.

(e) This section does not apply to insurance coverage providing benefits for the following:

- (1) Hospital confinement indemnity;
- (2) Disability income;
- (3) Accident only;
- (4) Long-term care;
- (5) Medicare supplement;
- (6) Limited benefit health;
- (7) Specified disease indemnity;
- (8) Sickness or bodily injury, or death by accident, or both; and
- (9) Other limited benefit policies.

(f) This section does not apply to TennCare or a successor program provided for in title 71, chapter 5.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.